

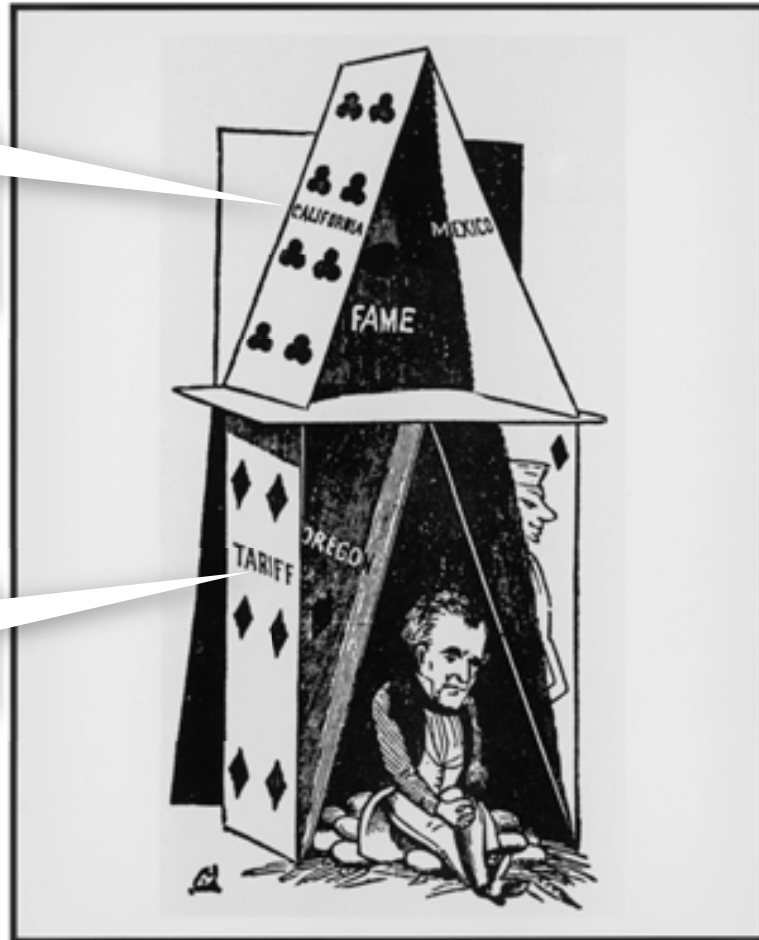
## Cartoon 12

## Political Cartoons

### James Polk and Foreign Policy

The names on the cards refer to divisive issues during James Polk's presidency. These issues involved territorial expansion of slavery.

The Walker Tariff of 1846 favored the South and allowed lower-priced imports into the country.



### ANALYZING POLITICAL CARTOONS

Study the political cartoon and then answer the questions below.

1. Why do you think the cartoonist shows President James K. Polk sitting in a house of cards?

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2. Why are issues of territorial expansion drawn on the house of cards?

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